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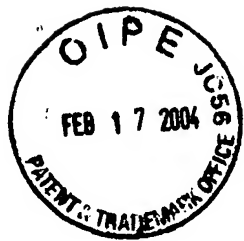
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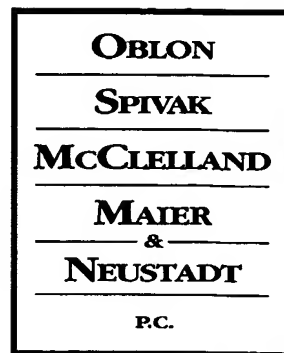
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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/606,833
Applicants: Kohki TAKATO, et al.
Filing Date: June 27, 2003
For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE
Group Art Unit: 2871
Examiner: Nguyen, H.C.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

RESPONSE

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Our check in the amount of **\$0.00** is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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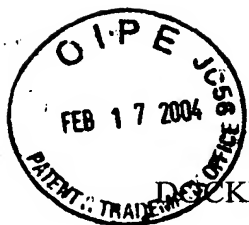
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In response to the Office Action of January 14, 2004, applicants provide the following response.

The Office Action of January 14, 2004, sets forth an election of species requirement with respect to claims 1-31. However, applicants note that claims 1-31 are not pending in this application. In a Preliminary Amendment filed with the original application papers claims 1-31 were canceled and new claims 32-39 were submitted for examination.

Applicants' representative discussed with Examiner Nguyen on February 12, 2004, that the outstanding Election Requirement was directed to non-pending claims. Examiner Nguyen requested that applicants file a response resubmitting the previously filed Preliminary Amendment. Therefore, attached with the present response is a copy of the previously filed Preliminary Amendment canceling claims 1-31 and adding new claims 32-39 for examination. Also provided herewith is the date-stamped filing receipt indicating filing of that Preliminary Amendment.

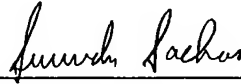
Applicants now await a proper action on the merits to currently pending claims 32-39.

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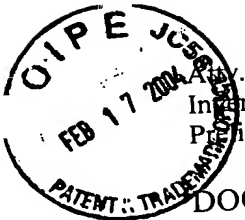
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include an attached
added sheet.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.